

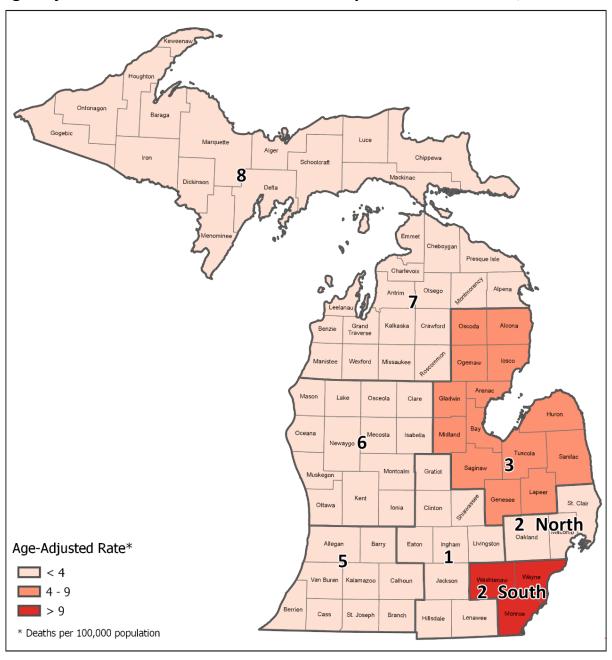


Homicide Deaths in Michigan, 2014–17

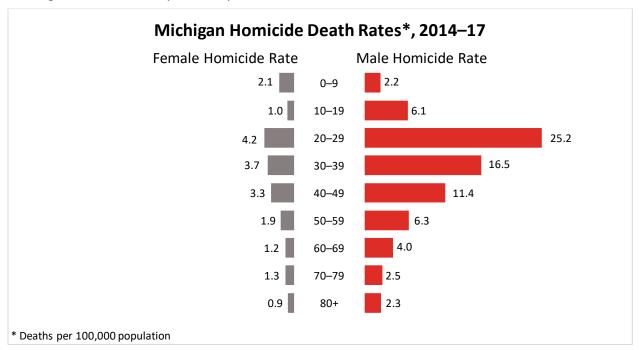
Over 19,000 people die annually in the United States from homicide; almost 600 of these homicide deaths are in Michigan.

The Michigan Violent Death Reporting System (MiVDRS)ⁱ collects and links data from multiple data sources to help stakeholders develop public health prevention strategies to reduce deaths and injuries due to interpersonal and self-directed violence. From 2014–2017, over 2,300 residents died by homicide in Michigan.

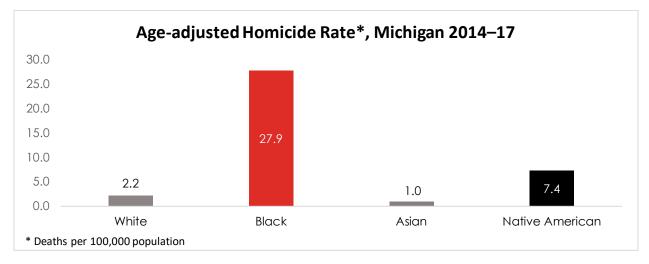
Age-adjusted Annual Homicide Death Rates by State Police District, 2014–2017



At every age, men were more likely than women to die by homicide in 2014–17. Young adults 20–29 years of age were most likely to die by homicide.



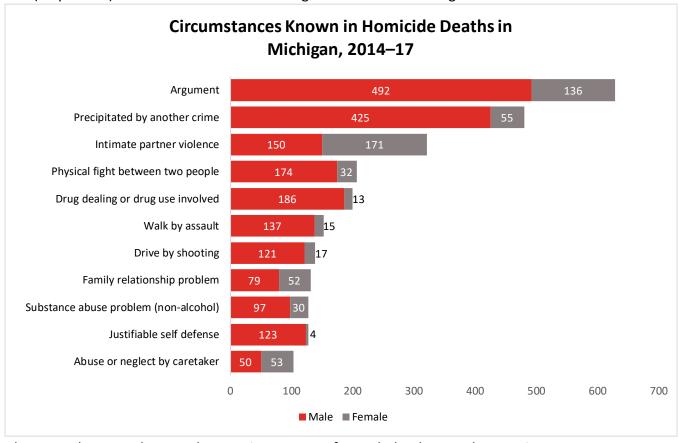
The Michigan age-adjusted homicide rate was 6.3 in 2014–17, but the rates varied by race, ranging from 1.0 for Asian Americans to 27.9 for Black Americans.



In over 90 percent of homicide incidents in Michigan there was only one death.

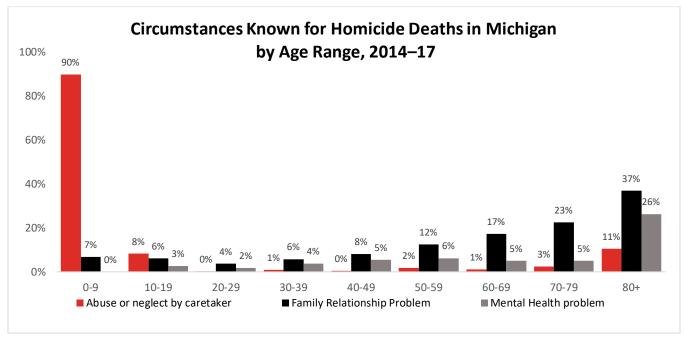
Michigan Homicide Incident Type, 2014–17	Number	Percent
Single homicide	2,046	90.7%
Multiple homicide	84	3.7%
Single legal intervention death	58	2.6%
Single homicide followed by suicide	57	2.5%
Multiple homicide followed by suicide	7	0.3%
Multiple homicide followed by legal intervention death(s)	4	0.2%
Total	2,256	100.0%

Intimate partner violence was a known factor for 36 percent of all female homicide victims. Seventy-two (70 percent) of the victims of abuse or neglect were under the age of five.



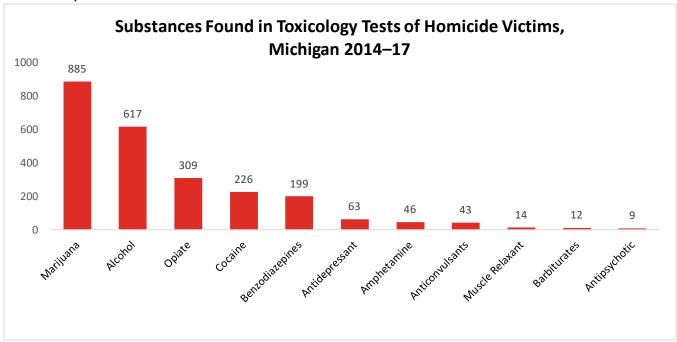
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An argument was the most commonly reported circumstance for ages 20–69. Other circumstances varied more with age.



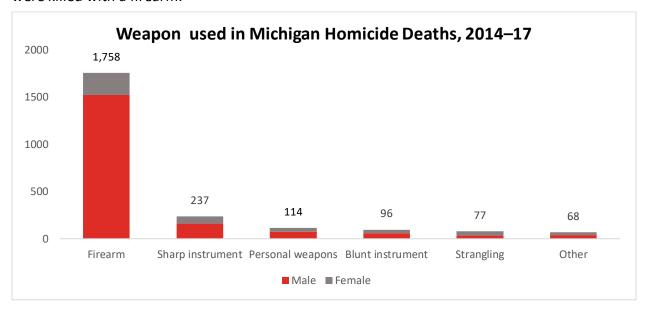
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Marijuana was the most commonly found substance in toxicology test results of homicide victims, followed by alcohol.



It is unknown how many homicide victims were tested for each substance. Victims could have been found to have more than one substance in their system at the time of death.

74.8 percent of all homicide victims (80.3 percent of male victims and 50.4 percent of female victims) were killed with a firearm.



i. MiVDRS Website: MDHHS - MiVDRS (michigan.gov) For more data details contact SmithP40@michigan.gov.

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